

REMARKS

The Examiner has stated that applicants' March 24, 2003 Amendment was non-responsive for referring to "SEQ ID NO:1 of the substitute Sequence Listing." The Examiner has stated that no substitute Sequence Listing is found in the application and it is not clear how the original Sequence Listing and the "substitute Sequence Listing" differ.

The substitute Sequence Listing referred to in the March 24, 2003 Amendment was filed in this application on April 26, 2001 in a Preliminary Amendment concurrent with the filing of the application. Applicants have attached duplicate copies of the April 26, 2001 substitute Sequence Listing, Preliminary Amendment and Statement Under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.821 and 1.825, herewith as Exhibits A–C, respectively. Applicants have also attached a duplicate copy of the April 26, 2001 substitute Sequence Listing in computer readable form herewith as Exhibit D.

The original Sequence Listing, as filed in application 08/737,752 ("the '752 application") from which the instant application claims priority, contained inadvertent sequencing errors. These errors were corrected in a substitute Sequence Listing, filed in the '752 application concurrently with an October 13, 1998 Supplemental Response to Office Action. The substitute Sequence Listing is identical to the one filed in this application on April 26, 2001 and with this Response. For the convenience of the Examiner, applicants have attached a duplicate copy of the October 13, 1998 Supplemental Response as Exhibit E with exhibits thereto as Tabs 1–6.

As discussed in a July 8, 2003 telephone conference, applicants understand that the Patent Offices' file of this application does not contain the April 26, 2001 substitute Sequence Listing or Statement. Accordingly, applicants request their entry now. Entry of

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these documents should overcome the Examiner's objections to applicants' March 24, 2003
Amendment.

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